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Assistant Commissioner of Patents Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56, §1.97-1.98, Applicant hereby calls the following documents to the Examiner's attention:

- U.S. Patent No. 5,838,480, to MCINTYRE et al., which issued on November 17, 1998;
- U.S. Patent No. 5,870,659, to MARUYAMA, which issued on February 9, 1999;
- U.S. Patent No. 6,028,688, to IIZUKA, which issued on February 22, 2000;
- U.S. Patent No. 6,084,696, to HAMA, which issued on July 4, 2000;
- U.S. Patent No. 6,115,164, to KAMIKUBO, which issued on September 5, 2000; and
- U.S. Patent No. 6,124,962, to KAMIKUBO, which issued on September 26, 2000.

Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner consider the above materials and cite the patent documents. Copies of the above-noted documents are attached and have been listed on a PTO-1449 Form which is also attached hereto. Accordingly, the Examiner is requested to initial the appropriate spaces on the attached PTO-1449 Form and to return a copy of the Form to the Applicant with the next official communication in the present application to confirm

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consideration of these documents.

Applicant also brings to the Examiner's attention the following copending and commonly assigned patent application:

U.S. Patent Application No. 09/484,445, to TAKEUCHI et al., which was filed on January 18, 2000.

A copy of the above-noted application is attached hereto.

Should the Examiner have any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number.

Respectfully submitted, Junji KAMIKUBO

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